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Via ECFS  
Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street, S.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to  
47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1**

Dear FCC,

it is essential for me to choose a competitive provider (other than AT&T, e.g.) because it tends to have a much better service. Local companies can simply be more efficient in reacting to customers' needs, problems, etc. They also tend to offer cheaper and better connection; in my case that includes an honest landline, which is essential in earthquake-prone areas such as Oakland, CA.

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